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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JUNE 20, 2005
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APPLICANT:	Birgit Küfner	DOCKET NO:	P03,0274
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TITLE: HEARING AID DEVICE WITH A VOLTAGE SOURCE			

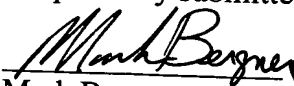
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Dear Sir:

Applicant files the attached Declaration as a Supplemental Response to the Office Action mailed June 20, 2005, which shows conception and diligence from a time prior to the filing date of U.S. Patent Application No. 2003/0186099 to Liu, et al., which was cited as a prior art reference in the Office Action.

This Declaration effectively removes Liu as a prior art reference. Inasmuch as each of the prior art rejections have been overcome by the previous response and the present Declaration, and all of the Examiner's suggestions and requirements have been satisfied, it is respectfully requested that the present application be reconsidered, the rejections be withdrawn and that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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